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STATE OF LOUISIANA
SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

LOCATION: STATE OF LOUISIANA

MONTH OF: DECEMBER 1981

LEGALLY REPORTABLE ACCIDENTS ARE THOSE INVOLVING DEATH, BODILY INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00) OR MORE IN THE ACCIDENT.

ACCIDENTS OCCURRING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT.

THIS SUMMARY INCLUDES REPORTS AND INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON:

01/20/82

I. MILEAGE RATES	THIS YEAR TO DATE	LAST YEAR SAME PERIOD	PERCENT CHANGE
A. Motor Vehicle Traffic Deaths	1219	1212	.50
B. Estimated Motor Vehicle Mileage Traveled (Millions)	22848.64	22806.71	.10
C. Death Rate Per 100,000,000 Vehicle–Miles	5.34	5.31	.50
D. Fatal Accident Rate Per 100,000,000 Vehicle–Miles			
E.			
F.			

II. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				TOTAL KILLED	NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED				NOTE: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage		Total	A Severe Injury	B Noticeable Injury	C Complaint of Injury	
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION WITH:	A. Ran Off Road	2211	29	978	1204	35	1267	90	614	563	a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim to be carried from the scene.
	B. Overturned on Road	29		18	11		24	4	14	6	
	C. Pedestrian	180	14	159	7	14	172	14	100	58	
	D. Motor Vehicle in Traffic	10184	32	3447	6705	39	5949	136	1450	4363	b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.
	E. Parked Motor Vehicle	1018	2	121	895	2	155	9	70	76	
	F. Railroad Train	35	2	20	13	2	24	3	14	7	
	G. Bicyclist	54	3	41	10	3	44	4	19	21	c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.
	H. Animal	132		11	121		14		5	9	
	I. Fixed Object	272		101	171		129	6	64	59	
	J. Other Object	16		5	11		5		2	3	
	K. Other Non-Collision	41		16	25		20		7	13	
	TOTALS	14172	82	4917	9173	95	7803	266	2359	5178	

III. COMPARATIVE TOTALS (Type of Accident)		SAME MONTH LAST YEAR			THIS YEAR TO DATE			SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR			CHANGE CUMULATIVE DEATH RECORD
		All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION WITH:	A. Ran Off Road	2038	45	1120	23346	367	13202	21629	363	12055	1.10 %
	B. Overturned on Road	70	2	61	543	11	457	743	22	702	50.00- %
	C. Pedestrian	152	18	142	2156	200	2071	2103	171	2079	16.90 %
	D. Motor Vehicle in Traffic	9875	47	5117	102626	528	60739	115758	523	59968	.90 %
	E. Parked Motor Vehicle	1252	2	146	11004	15	1616	16176	22	1943	31.80- %
	F. Railroad Train	48		19	338	27	208	410	21	276	28.50 %
	G. Bicyclist	42	4	35	1046	26	967	1282	28	1171	7.10- %
	H. Animal	123		23	1178	1	252	1210	2	255	50.00- %
	I. Fixed Object	333	4	152	3325	34	1785	5491	50	2632	32.00- %
	J. Other Object	32		12	301	1	81	496	3	120	66.60- %
	K. Other Non-Collision	41		17	569	9	243	697	7	298	28.50 %
	TOTALS	14006	122	6844	146432	1219	81621	165995	1212	81499	.50 %

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IV. LOCATION		A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State, Parishes, Cities, Towns, Villages, Etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, Parkway, Military, Freeway Authorities and Commissions, Etc.					
		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				NUMBER OF PERSONS		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				NUMBER OF PERSONS	
		TOTAL	FATAL	NON-FATAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	KILLED	INJURED	TOTAL	FATAL	NON-FATAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	KILLED	INJURED
URBAN (ALL INCORPORATED PLACES AND ALL AREAS CLASSIFIED AS URBAN BY SPECIAL RULES FOLLOWED IN EACH CENSUS) A. 2,500 to 5,000		178	1	98	129	2	89	2		2			3
B. 5,000 to 10,000		643	2	175	466	2	261	1			1		
C. 10,000 to 25,000		1256	3	352	901	3	539	8		2	6		2
D. 25,000 to 50,000		1184	5	359	820	6	529	4		2	2		4
E. 50,000 to 100,000		1427		359	1068		538	11			11		
F. 100,000 to 250,000		2291	3	695	1593	3	1096	7		3	4		4
G. 250,000 or More		1085	8	672	405	9	1105	34		23	11		52
TOTAL URBAN		8064	22	2660	5382	25	4152	67		33	34		65
RURAL (ALL LOCATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE ABOVE) A. Interstate Routes		389	5	140	244	5	250						
B. Other U.S. Routes		1250	15	461	782	18	834						
C. State Routes		2625	31	1088	1506	37	1726	1			1		
D. Parish Routes		1725	9	528	1188	10	769	2			2		
E. Toll Roads-Bridges								1		1			1
F. Local Roads & Strts.		18		5	13		5	21		1	20		1
G. Not Stated		1			1								
TOTAL RURAL		6016	60	2222	3734	70	3584	25		2	23		2
TOTAL URBAN & RURAL		14080	82	4882	9116	95	7736	92		35	57		67

V. TIME		TOTAL		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURDSAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
Hour Beginning		ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL
BEFORE NOON A. Midnight		391	4	43		34	1	38		74	1	49		73	2	80	
B. 1:00		351	5	37	1	27		26		71	1	46	1	72	2	72	
C. 2:00		326	6	17		22		37		59	2	33	1	82	1	76	2
D. 3:00		223	5	24	1	18		18		32		28	3	55		48	1
E. 4:00		208	4	19		17		13	1	33		31	1	50	1	45	1
F. 5:00		238	2	25		26		24		35		44	1	45	1	39	
G. 6:00		324		61		46		52		47		30		35		53	
H. 7:00		560	2	87		129		87	1	98		82		49		28	1
I. 8:00		603	2	128		117		68		123		78	1	53	1	36	
J. 9:00		544	2	92	1	90	1	87		109		61		66		39	
K. 10:00		644	1	109		114		82		140		77		83	1	39	
L. 11:00		762	1	154		116		112		158		90	1	98		34	
AFTERNOON M. Noon		882	1	137		147		125		207	1	97		119		50	
N. 1:00		815		121		129		121		168		96		122		58	
O. 2:00		898		143		132		135		190		109		128		61	
P. 3:00		1110	6	167		179		182		257	3	129	1	113		83	2
Q. 4:00		969	4	115		170	2	148		204	2	140		119		78	
R. 5:00		992	11	150		166	3	176	3	170	4	122		107	1	101	
S. 6:00		786	3	104		113	1	123	1	151	1	113		83		99	
T. 7:00		629	5	75	3	90	1	101		111		97	1	90		65	
U. 8:00		511	5	54	1	64	2	73	1	106		81		64	1	69	
V. 9:00		469	4	54	2	66		77		89	1	61		71	1	51	
W. 10:00		470	4	56	1	48		70	2	72	1	94		78		52	
X. 11:00		467	5	47		41		72	1	78	1	96	2	82	1	51	
Y. Not Stated																	
TOTALS		14172	82	2019	10	2101	11	2047	10	2782	18	1884	13	1932	13	1407	7

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VI. AGE OF CASUALTY	NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED									NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED								
	TOTAL KILLED			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS			TOTAL INJURED			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
A. 0 to 4	3	2	1	1		1				281	141	140	16	8	8	2	2	
B. 5 to 9	1		1	1		1				247	127	120	24	17	7	11	10	1
C. 10 to 14	2	2					1	1		287	133	154	17	7	10	6	4	2
D. 15 to 19	15	10	5				1	1		1314	765	549	25	17	8	13	10	3
E. 20 to 24	17	14	3	3	2	1				1452	831	621	19	12	7	8	8	
F. 25 to 34	20	18	2	3	1	2	1	1		1915	1087	828	32	24	8	12	9	3
G. 35 to 44	12	10	2	1	1					880	459	421	28	22	6	2	2	
H. 45 to 54	6	4	2	1	1					594	317	277	15	10	5			
I. 55 to 64	8	6	2	1	1					424	203	221	6	4	2	1	1	
J. 65 to 74	6	5	1	1	1					248	112	136	4	2	2			
K. 75 & Older	5	3	2	3	1	2				101	59	42	3	1	2	1	1	
L. Not Stated										60	33	27	1	1				
TOTALS	95	74	21	15	8	7	3	3		7803	4267	3536	190	125	65	56	47	9

VII. AGE OF DRIVER	MALE	FEMALE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. 14 and Younger*	20	12	32		15
B. 15	168	110	278		96
C. 16	373	189	562	1	177
D. 17	615	255	870	4	293
E. 18	749	280	1029	3	378
F. 19	715	300	1015	7	381
G. 20 to 24	3313	1539	4852	29	1747
H. 25 to 34	4447	2297	6744	36	2537
I. 35 to 44	2149	1194	3343	20	1262
J. 45 to 54	1451	675	2126	8	763
K. 55 to 64	1104	566	1670	7	585
L. 65 to 74	626	315	941	7	326
M. 75 & Older	243	103	346	2	102
N. Not Stated	184	75	259		81
TOTALS	16157	7910	24067	124	8743
*Unlicensed Drivers					

VIII. TYPE OF VEHICLE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Passenger Car	18806	87	6664
B. Passenger Car and Trailer	10		4
C. Truck or Truck Tractor	5583	26	1811
D. Truck Tractor, Semitrailer or Trailer	639	10	209
E. Other Truck Combination	57	1	17
F. Farm Tractor and/or Farm Equipment	17		5
G. Taxicab	71		36
H. Bus	75		28
I. School Bus	56		15
J. Motorcycle	183	2	146
K. Motor Scooter/Motor Bicycle	9		7
L. Bicycle	71	3	57
TOTALS	25577	129	8999
SPECIAL VEHICLES INCLUDED ABOVE			
M. Emergency (Including Privately Own)	108		44
N. Military Vehicles	4		2
O. Other Publicly Owned Vehicles	166		52
P. Others and Not Stated	1000	5	182

IX. CONDITION OF DRIVER AND PEDESTRIANS	CONDITION OF PEDESTRIANS			CONDITION OF DRIVER		
	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Apparently Asleep				143	1	70
B. Inattentive or Distracted	49	1	48	5352	12	1779
C. Illness				19		10
D. Eyesight Defect				21		8
E. Fainting, Blackout, Etc.				24	1	19
F. Hearing Defect				9		3
G. Fatigued				24		9
H. Other Body Defects	1		1	18		8
I. Had Been Drinking	34	3	31	1832	30	955
J. Condition Unknown	29	10	18	1290	39	418
K. Normal	94	2	91	15335	41	5464
TOTALS	207	16	189	24067	124	8743

X. CONDITION OF VEHICLE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Defective Brakes	197	2	85
B. Defective Headlights	17		8
C. Defective Rear Lights	40		16
D. Defective Signal Lights	15		1
E. All Lights Out	19	1	10
F. Defective Steering	17		5
G. Tire Failure	69		27
H. Worn or Smooth Tires	112	2	57
I. Engine Failure	67		27
J. No Defects Observed	25956	125	8938
K. Other Defects	346	4	105
TOTALS	26855	134	9279

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XI. ROAD SURFACE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Dry	9675	64	3359
B. Wet	4359	18	1507
C. Muddy	38		13
D. Snow	75		26
E. Other	25		12
TOTALS	14172	82	4917
A. Concrete	4545	19	1500
B. Blacktop	9361	61	3347
C. Brick	24		7
D. Gravel	92	1	29
E. Dirt	47	1	9
F. Other	103		25
TOTALS	14172	82	4917

XII. ALIGNMENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Straight–Level	12018	57	4090
B. Curve–Level	1044	15	431
C. On-Grade–Straight	513	3	175
D. On-Grade–Curve	280	5	129
E. Hillcrest–Straight	158		46
F. Hillcrest–Curve	39		11
G. Dip, Hump–Straight	34		11
H. Dip, Hump–Curve	7		3
I. Other	79	2	21
TOTALS	14172	82	4917

XIII. WEATHER CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Clear	7596	45	2644
B. Cloudy	3593	24	1246
C. Raining	2777	11	943
D. Snow/Sleet	52	1	17
E. Fog	139		64
F. Smoke	9	1	2
G. Dust	6		1
TOTALS	14172	82	4917

XIV. ROADWAY CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Defective Shoulder	180	2	72
B. Holes	59		18
C. Deep Ruts	7		
D. Bumps	87	2	35
E. Loose Surface Material	90	1	33
F. Construction, Repair	109		43
G. Overhead Clearance Limited	1		
H. Construction–No Warning	3		3
I. Previous Accident	12		5
J. Flooding	5		2
K. Water on Roadway	761	3	252
L. Orthogonal Fault in Road Surface	13		5
M. Parallel Fault in Road Surface	3		1
N. Other Defects	117	1	30
O. No Defects	12725	73	4418
TOTALS	14172	82	4917

XV. TRAFFIC CONTROL	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Stop Sign	2412	8	780
B. Yield Sign	389		125
C. Red Signal On	1798	2	778
D. Yellow Signal On	114	1	48
E. Green Signal On	1936	5	683
F. Green Turn Arrow On	81		26
G. Right Turn on Red	10		1
H. Light Phase Unknown	246	2	86
I. Flashing Yellow	180		83
J. Flashing Red	100		42
K. Officer–Watchman	33		14
L. R.R. Crossing Sign	33	2	15
M. R.R. Crossing Signal	38	1	15
N. R.R. Crossing No Control	4		4
O. Warning Sign (School, Etc.)	229	3	104
P. School Flashing Speed Sign	5		3
Q. Yellow No Passing Line	2954	22	1161
R. White Dashed Line	8280	69	3096
S. No Control	6814	16	1869
T. Other	1199	3	346
TOTALS	26855	134	9279

XVI. LIGHT CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Daylight	7966	18	2455
B. Dark–No Street Lights	1714	33	773
C. Dusk or Dawn	525	3	194
D. Dark–Continuous Street Light	3164	23	1184
E. Dark–Lights at Intersection Only	803	5	311
TOTALS	14172	82	4917

XVII. TRAFFIC CONTROL CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Controls Functioning	26591	131	9187
B. Controls Not Functioning	106	1	38
C. Control Obscured	61		23
D. Lane Marking Unclear or Defective	97	2	31
TOTALS	26855	134	9279

XVIII. TYPE OF ROADWAY	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. One-Way Road or Street	1061	3	359
B. Two-Way Undivided Road or Street	8259	47	2761
C. Expressway	705	9	275
D. Other Divided Road or Street	3455	21	1306
E. Other	692	2	216
TOTALS	14172	82	4917

XIX KIND OF LOCATION	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Manufacturing or Industrial	290	2	111
B. Business Continuous	4334	12	1310
C. Business, Mixed Residential	3822	15	1394
D. Residential District	2756	11	822
E. Residential Scattered	1040	14	469
F. School or Playground	150		39
G. Open Country	1531	25	676
H. Other	249	3	96
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XX.		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. VIOLATIONS	A. Exceeding Stated Speed	166	5	83
	B. Exceeding Safe Speed	300	4	147
	C. Failure to Yield	2753	13	935
	D. Following Too Closely	1239		486
	E. Driving Left of Center	225	7	94
	F. Cutting In, Improper Passing	250		53
	G. Failure to Signal	31		10
	H. Made Wide Right Turn	53		5
	I. Cut Corner on Left Turn	29		5
	J. Turned from Wrong Lane	151		27
	K. Other Improper Turning	257	1	91
	L. Disregarded Traffic Control	442	1	213
	M. Improper Starting	43		6
	N. Improper Parking	94		15
	O. Failure to Set Out Flags, Flares	15		9
	P. Failure to Dim Headlights	8		4
	Q. Vehicle Condition	141	1	44
	R. Driver Condition	834	11	448
	S. Other Violations (Hazardous)	7499	35	2382
	T. No Violation	12318	56	4275
	TOTALS	25955	134	9279
B. CONTRIBUTING FACTOR	A. Violations	12034	53	3839
	B. Movement Prior to Accident	345	3	96
	C. Vision Obscurements			
	D. Conditions of Drivers/Pedestrians	1697	21	909
	E. Pedestrian Actions	75	5	69
	F. Vehicle Conditions	3		
	G. Road Surface	7		2
	H. Roadway Condition	4		1
	I. Lighting			
	J. Weather	2		
	K. Traffic Control	3		
	L. Kind of Location	2		1
	TOTALS	14172	82	4917
C. VISION OBSCUREMENTS	A. Rain, Snow, Etc. on Windshield	1409	7	497
	B. Windshield Otherwise Obscured	34	1	19
	C. Vision Obscured by Load	49		8
	D. Trees, Bushes, Etc.	82		42
	E. Building	18		5
	F. Embankment	9		1
	G. Sign Boards	19		3
	H. Hillcrest	69		24
	I. Parked Vehicles	320		102
	J. Moving Vehicles	533		175
	K. Blinded By Headlights	46		21
	L. Blinded By Sun Glare	81		23
	M. Distracted by Neon Lights in Field of View	2		1
	N. Other Obscurements	452	2	148
	O. No Obscurements	23735	124	8213
	TOTALS	26855	134	9279

XXI. NUMBER OF VEHICLES INVOLVED		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A.	One Vehicle Collision	179	14	164
B.	One Vehicle Collision (Excluding Pedestrians)	2456	25	1044
C.	Two Vehicle Collision	10560	38	3179
D.	Three Vehicle Collision	843	3	438
E.	Four or More Vehicle Collision	133	2	92
	TOTALS	14171	82	4917

XXII. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A.	Crossing, Entering, Roadway at Intersection	48	3	45
B.	Crossing, Entering, Roadway not at Intersection	71	6	65
C.	Walking in Roadway–with Traffic	13	1	12
D.	Walking in Roadway–against Traffic	6		6
E.	Sleeping in Roadway	1	1	
F.	Standing in Roadway	9	3	6
G.	Getting On or Off Other Vehicle	4		4
H.	Pushing, Working on Vehicle in Roadway	2	1	1
I.	Other Working in Roadway	4		4
J.	Playing in Roadway	8		8
K.	Other in Roadway	15	1	13
L.	Not in Roadway	26		25
	TOTALS	207	16	189

XXIII. EJECTION		FATAL	A SEVERE INJURY	B NOTICEABLE INJURY	C COMPLAINT OF INJURY
A. DRIVERS	A. Not Ejected	35	138	1305	2884
	B. Partially Ejected	4	5	29	35
	C. Totally Ejected	11	14	32	20
	D. Unknown if Ejected		4	17	14
	E. Wearing Helmet	2	7	34	31
	F. Not Wearing Helmet		9	26	9
B. OCCUPANTS	A. Not Ejected	21	60	726	2023
	B. Partially Ejected		1	19	33
	C. Totally Ejected	2	3	19	12
	D. Unknown if Ejected	2	3	5	17
	E. Wearing Helmet		2	2	4
	F. Not Wearing Helmet			11	4

XXIV. SAFETY EQUIPMENT		FATAL	A SEVERE INJURY	B NOTICEABLE INJURY	C COMPLAINT OF INJURY
A. SEAT BELT	A. Not Installed	4	25	175	256
	B. Installed Not in Use	63	172	1781	4106
	C. In Use (Told)		4	79	258
	D. In Use (Observed)		2	7	2
	E. Use Unknown	10	43	182	464
	F. Equipment Failed			1	
B. SHOR. HARN.	A. Not Installed	9	41	313	584
	B. Installed Not in Use	59	154	1658	3834
	C. In Use (Told)		2	63	203
	D. In Use (Observed)		1	6	
	E. Use Unknown	9	48	181	464
	F. Equipment Failed			4	1

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